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## Diversity and Inclusion Matters

As Chair of the powerful Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) and first and only Chair of the House Financial Services Subcommittee on Diversity and Inclusion, Congresswoman Beatty is leading the charge to make sure our nation embraces the societal and economic power of diversity and inclusion.

She successfully helped pass the Juneteenth National Independence Day Act and pushed the Biden-Harris Administration to commit to putting the famous abolitionist Harriet Tubman on the new \$20 bill, as well as to reverse the Trump Administration's policy to terminate diversity and inclusion initiatives. Moreover, she made national headlines joining with Financial Services Committee Chairwoman Maxine Waters (CA-43) to send a letter requesting diversity data from the 31 biggest financial firms that collectively manage over \$47 trillion in assets. Finally, Beatty introduced the Diversity and Inclusion Data Accountability and Transparency Act (D&I DATA), H.R. 2123, a bill to require all regulated financial firms with more than 100 employees to disclose diversity data.



*Congresswoman Beatty joins President Biden and congressional colleagues at the White House for the Juneteenth bill signing ceremony. (June 17, 2021)*



# THE BEATTY



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## Getting Results "For the People"

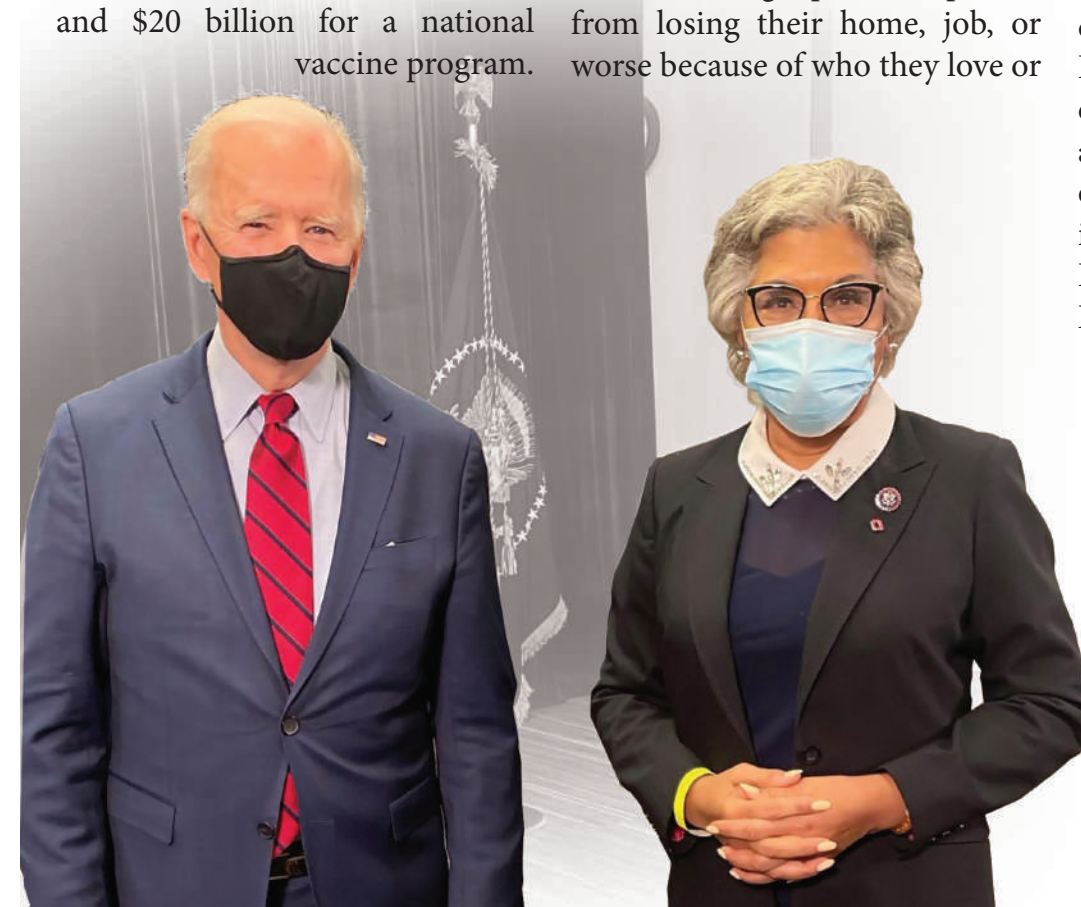
In the first 100 days, the new 117th Congress delivered real relief to workers, families, and small businesses by passing the landmark, life-changing American Rescue Plan. The bill includes stimulus checks, expanded emergency unemployment and child tax credit, \$130 billion for schools, \$30+ billion in small business loans, \$25 billion in housing rental assistance I championed in my committee, and \$20 billion for a national vaccine program.

Economically, we are working on a transformational transportation and infrastructure package that carves pathways to the future. Priorities likely include our nation's transportation network, affordable housing, education, and high-speed internet, to name a few. This will build on bills the House has already passed to close the racial wealth gap and gender pay gaps, raise the minimum wage, protect a person from losing their home, job, or worse because of who they love or

how they identify, and a whole host of measures for the people and businesses who need help the most.

We've also witnessed a significant shift in the federal government's approach to gun violence, access to the ballot box, and ensuring justice for everyone. To that effect, the 117th Congress advanced the George Floyd Justice in Policing Act and the For the People Act: two major components of the Congressional Black Caucus' 100 Day Plan of Action authored by me. In addition, a bipartisan majority of my colleagues and I voted in support of the Bipartisan Background Checks Act and Enhanced Background Checks Act.

We've accomplished a lot, but we're not done yet.



*Congresswoman Beatty and President Biden highlight the life-changing impacts of the American Rescue Plan at the White House's Help Is Here Tour stop in Columbus, Ohio. (March 23, 2021)*



# Meeting the Moment: the American Rescue Plan

U.S. Congresswoman Joyce Beatty (OH-03) strongly supports the historic \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan because, as she states, “This bill puts dollars into families’ pockets, gets people back to work, opens schools safely, improves vaccine distribution, and strengthens our economy all while defeating the virus.”

The American Rescue Plan (P.L. 117-2) is projected to provide over \$860 million in direct relief to Ohio’s Third Congressional District, including \$419 million for Columbus City Schools, \$255.3 million for Franklin County, and another \$185.9 million for the City of Columbus. For more information, please see the Legislative Snapshot.

### THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN

Delivering real relief to workers, families, and small businesses.

**LEGISLATIVE HIGHLIGHTS**

#### MONEY IN POCKETS

- **\$1,400 stimulus / individual**  
+ \$1,400 / dependents  
> Phase out at \$75,000
- **\$300 weekly emergency unemployment | Sept. 6**  
> First \$10,200 in benefits tax free
- **\$3,600/\$3,000 tax credit / child**  
> Under six-years-old / over six-years-old
- **Expand EITC for certain workers**
- **\$25 billion in housing assistance**
- **Feed 40 million Americans\***

#### PEOPLE BACK TO WORK

- **Help connect small businesses to COVID-19 programs**
- **Resources to frontline workers**
- **Expand Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) funding & eligibility**
- **\$15 billion for Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) grants**
- **\$28.6 billion for restaurants & bars**

#### CHILDREN IN SCHOOLS

- **\$130 billion to return students and teachers safely to classroom**
- **\$419 million for Columbus City Schools**
- **Keep schools open and improve education standards**
- **Support higher education, HeadStart, and childcare**

#### SHOTS IN ARMS

- **\$20 billion for national vaccine program**
- **Speed up vaccine research, production, and distribution**
- **Improve testing and contact tracing**
- **Increase PPE and address healthcare disparities**

#### GETTING RESULTS FOR OHIO'S THIRD CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

**\$441+ MILLION**  
**IN COVID-19 RELIEF FUNDS**

**\$185.9 MILLION**  
Direct COVID-19 funds for the City of Columbus

**\$255.3 MILLION**  
Direct COVID-19 funds for Franklin County

\*Based on research from Laurie M. Tisch Center for Food, Education & Policy, Columbia University (January 21, 2021)

# Investing in Affordable Housing

The House Financial Services Committee held a hearing on April 14th to examine the need for greater federal infrastructure investment. An outspoken champion for affordable housing, Congresswoman Beatty’s Generating Resources and Opportunities Within (GROW) Affordable Housing Act was discussed at length. If enacted, the GROW Affordable Housing Act would increase funding streams for certain federal housing programs by fivefold.

# Continuing to Get Out the Vaccine

Congresswoman Beatty joins community leaders in urging constituents to vax-up. (May 1, 2021)

Congresswoman Beatty led the nationwide effort to ensure more Americans receive the COVID-19 vaccine. Her GOTV Initiative (May 1 – May 8, 2021) was a weeklong public awareness, education and outreach campaign that occurred in congressional districts across the country. Bringing the national initiative to Ohio’s Third Congressional District, Beatty hosted an official GOTV launch press conference, sponsored drive-up vax-up sites at the Columbus Urban League and New Salem Baptist Church, and traveled around Central Ohio to encourage constituents to get vaccinated.

“This is about saving constituents’ lives,” Beatty said during the GOTV launch press conference. (May 1, 2021)

# Get Out the Vaccine Telephone Town Hall

Congresswoman Beatty is joined by Columbus Health Commissioner Dr. Mysheika Roberts, Dr. Reversa Joseph, and Dr. Joshua Joseph for her GOTV Telephone Town Hall (May 3, 2021)

On May 3, 2021, Congresswoman Beatty hosted her Get Out the Vaccine (GOTV) Telephone Town Hall. Broadcast live from the Celeste Center, Columbus’ mass vaccination site, Beatty and leading Central Ohio medical experts fielded constituent questions on COVID-19 and the vaccine. An archived recording of the event can be viewed on Facebook and YouTube.

# Beatty Veterans Bill Now Law

The Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020 (P.L. 116-315) was signed into law on January 5, 2021. This bipartisan piece of legislation includes a provision taken from Congresswoman Beatty’s bill, the Homeless Veterans Legal Services Act, to allow the VA to partner with public and private entities to increase access to legal services for veterans experiencing homelessness and those at-risk. This is her sixth bill to be signed into law.